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U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
Region IV
Attn: Mr. James S. Kutzman, Associate Director
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Dear Mr. Farmer:

As you are aware, the Navy/Marine Corps have been implementing RCRA Facility Investigations (RFI) at Marine Corps Air Station (MCAS), Cherry Point under a RCRA 3008(h) Consent Order with EPA Region IV. On January 9, 1992, MCAS Cherry Point and Atlantic Division, Naval Facilities Engineering Command personnel met with EPA, Region IV personnel to discuss proposed Interim Measures concepts for Unit 10 Old Sanitary Landfill. The RFI report documenting work at Units 5, 10, 16, and 17 (NUS, May 1991), submitted May 17, 1991, was also discussed. Specifically, the discussion of the RFI report concerned prioritization of review of the document. Mr. John Lank of your office indicated that the RCRA Units would be reviewed separately.

The RFI report for Units 5, 10, 16, and 17 was submitted to your office on May 17, 1991. The next phase of our Installation Restoration Program at these sites is preparation of Corrective Measures Study (CMS) Reports for Unit 10 and Units 5 and 17. Additional field work will be conducted at Units 10 and 16 as well. The CMS for Unit 10 involves remediation of contaminated groundwater. The CMS for Unit 5 will focus on remediation of PCB contaminated soils and sediment. The CMS for Unit 17 will focus on remediation of PCB contaminated soil.

The Navy/Marine Corps is very interested in proceeding with remedial actions/corrective measures as soon as possible. We believe the RFI at Units 5 and 17 is complete and wish to proceed with a CMS. A contract for CMS Report preparation was awarded in fiscal year 1991. However, the preparation of the reports have been delayed pending EPA comments/approval of the RFI report which we consider to be a prerequisite to proceeding with the CMS. In addition, planning and budgeting for the actual cleanup at these Units can be more accurately done if we proceed with the CMS Reports.

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We request expediting comments and/or approval of the RFI report in light of our aforementioned program requirements. Your assistance in this matter is greatly appreciated. If you have any questions or require additional information, please contact Mr. Jim Steinberg at (804) 445-8855.



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